

FINE SCHEDULE

If the violation code is not listed, you must contact the Court for further instructions.

The following violations are moving violations which are eligible for Defensive Driving School.

28-651.....	190.00
28-701A Failure to control speed w/accident.....	190.00
28-701A (w/out an accident)	
1-10 mph over.....	140.00
11-15 mph over.....	190.00
16-20 mph over.....	290.00
21-25 mph over.....	390.00
26+ mph over.....	493.00

28-710A.....	226.00
28-710B.....	326.00
28-751 - 752.....	190.00
28-792.....	190.00
28-815D.....	190.00
28-855.....	190.00
28-857A1, A2:	
1 st Offense.....	493.00
2 nd Offense.....	1383.00
3 rd Offense.....	1828.00
28-644A1.....	190.00
28-771 - 775.....	190.00

Stoplight Violations:
28-645A3A and 28-647.1 see warning on page 6

The following violations are NOT eligible for Defensive Driving School.

28-702.01A WFR. 75.00	28-2532.....	582.00
28-907.....	with proof of current registration.....	137.00
If child passenger restraint receipt is produced fine will be suspended.	28-2533A.....	582.00
28-2153A, B1, B2 and 28-2158C.....	28-3151A.....	137.00
with proof of current registration.....	with proof of current license.....	91.00
91.00	28-3169A.....	137.00
	dismiss w/proof of current license	
	28-3154 - 3157.....	137.00
	28-3475.....	180.00
	28-4135 A, B or C see page 6	
	28-4139.....	493.00
	28-909.....	65.00

NO INSURANCE CITATIONS ARS Sec. 28-4135 A, B or C (Effective 11/24/09)

1st conviction - \$950.00 fine and 3 month suspension of driver's privilege, vehicle registration and plates •
2nd conviction - \$1,408.00 fine and 6 month suspension of driver's privilege, vehicle registration and plates •
3rd conviction - \$1,865.00 fine and 1 year suspension of driver's privilege, vehicle registration and plates.

* If you provide proof that you had valid insurance on the vehicle at the time citation was issued, the court will dismiss the charge.

* If you can't provide valid insurance or did not have insurance on the vehicle at the time the citation was issued, the Court may reduce the fine to \$115.00 and waive the suspensions with proof of 6 month insurance purchase on the vehicle and an MVD printout showing no insurance violation convictions within the past 24 months or not more than one violation within the past 36 months.

STOPLIGHT VIOLATIONS WARNING:

If you've been cited for violating ARS 28-645A3a, ARS 28-647.1 OR if you are under age 18 and have been cited for a first offense, you may be eligible to attend Defensive Driving School and have the violation dismissed. If you choose not to attend Defensive Driving School or are not eligible, and you are found responsible, you will be ordered to attend Traffic Survival School by MVD when they receive notice of the conviction.

COTTONWOOD MUNICIPAL COURT

665 East Mingus Avenue
Cottonwood, Arizona 86326

(928) 634-7537
(928) 634-7864 fax

www.cottonwoodaz.gov/court

IMPORTANT - READ FIRST. The charges on your citation indicate whether they are civil traffic offenses or

IF ANY CHARGES ARE CRIMINAL OR CRIMINAL TRAFFIC, YOU MUST APPEAR AT THE DATE AND TIME LISTED AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR CITATION, OR AN ARREST WARRANT MAY BE ISSUED.

If the charges on your citation are ALL civil traffic, you have options how to proceed:

You may attend Defensive Driving School for a moving violation, or:
You may deny responsibility and request a hearing, or
You may admit responsibility and pay the fine by mail, in person, or by the web/internet.

The appearance date on your citation is NOT a hearing date. It is the last day to contact the Court regarding your decision to attend defensive driving school, pay your fine, or contest the charges. You can appear on or before the date on your citation.

Failure to respond to a civil traffic citation on or before the appearance date may result in a default judgment being entered against you. Motor Vehicle Division suspending your driving privilege, referral to collections, registration renewal hold and tax/lottery interception. If you are a resident of another state, failure to respond could result in the suspension of your driver's license in your home state under the Non-Resident Violator Compact. In addition, a civil traffic default fee of \$50.00 will be added per C.C.C 2.40.070.

(Fines listed above do not include mandatory \$40 court enhancement fee)

OPTION #1: DEFENSIVE DRIVING

You may be eligible to have a civil traffic moving violation dismissed by attending Defensive Driving School if:

1. You have not attended a Defensive Driving School within the past (12) twelve months. **AND**
2. Your civil traffic charge is considered a moving violation. **AND**
3. You possess a valid Driver License, **AND**
4. You DO NOT possess a CDL (A or C). **AND**
5. Your violation did not involve a collision in which any person was seriously injured or killed.

Defensive Driving School must be completed at least seven days prior to your court appearance date.

If you successfully complete Defensive Driving School, the violation will be dismissed, you will not have to pay a fine to the Court, and the Motor Vehicle Division will not assess any points on your driving record.

To enroll in a Certified Defensive Driving Program contact:

www.azdrive.com

1-888-334-5565 recorded message

OPTION #2: PAY FINE IN PERSON

You may appear in person at the Cottonwood Municipal Court to make payment arrangements between 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. The Court is located at **665 E. Mingus Avenue, Cottonwood, Arizona**. Payments for the exact amount are accepted by cash, cashier's check, money order, debit or credit cards.

OPTION #3: PAY BY PHONE/ONLINE

(Service fees will apply.)

Payments can be made online by debit/credit card at the following websites.

www.azcourtpay.com

www.cottonwoodazitx.com

Or by telephone with a debit/credit card at the following number: **1-877-756-6252**

OPTION #4: PAY FINE BY MAIL

1. READ AND SIGN THE STATEMENT BELOW:

I hereby waive my right to a hearing and enter a plea of responsible for the following charge(s):

(List each violation from your citation that you are admitting responsibility for. See FINE SCHEDULE for amount.)

CHARGE

FINE AMOUNT

\$ _____

\$ _____

\$ _____

LATE PAYMENT FEE* \$ _____

COURT ENHANCE FEE**\$ _____ + 40.00

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

CITATION NO. _____

Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

2. You may pay fine by mail with a cashier's check OR money order, payable to "Cottonwood Municipal Court". **DO NOT SEND CASH THROUGH THE MAIL. THE COURT DOES NOT ACCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS.**

3. Place this insert, along with your payment in the envelope provided and mail it to the Court. Be sure to put correct postage on the envelope.

*IF YOUR PAYMENT IS NOT POSTMARKED BY THE COURT DATE LISTED ON YOUR CITATION, A \$20.00 TIME PAYMENT FEE SHALL BE ASSESSED.

**A \$40.00 COURT ENHANCEMENT FEE SHALL BE ADDED TO EACH CITATION PER C.C.C. 2.40.090. (Rev. 8/11/10)

OPTION #5: REQUEST A HEARING

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING IF:

- You are pleading not responsible. **AND**
- You wish to schedule a hearing date **AND**
- You are giving up the option of attending Defensive Driving School.

1. Complete and sign the following:

CITATION NO. _____

I REQUEST A HEARING TO CONTEST THE FOLLOWING CHARGE(S):

CHARGE A: _____

CHARGE B: _____

CHARGE C: _____

CHARGE D: _____

Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

2. Check one box:

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I WILL be represented by an attorney.

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I WILL NOT be represented by an attorney.

3. Place this insert, along with a copy of your citation, in the envelope provided and mail it to the Court. Be sure to put correct postage on the envelope. Your request for hearing must be received by the Court before the court date listed on your citation.

4. You will be notified by mail of your hearing date. FAILURE TO APPEAR FOR HEARING COULD RESULT IN A DEFAULT JUDGMENT ENTERED AND FURTHER PENALTIES (see Column 1).